

MOTION BY SUPERVISORS YAROSLAVSKY AND ANTONOVICH February 10, 2009

A significant percentage of youth housed within Probation Camps require psychotropic medication and mental health services. A full complement of health and mental health staff are necessary to assist Probation staff in managing these services. In addition, part of the County's Camp Redesign Plan calls for the decentralization of psychotropic medication distribution requiring a full complement of nursing staff. Despite the Board's recognition of the importance of these staff positions, many funded positions remain unfilled.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct that the:

- 1) Probation Department, with the assistance of the CEO and the Department of Mental Health, fill all funded mental health staffing items designated for juvenile Camps within the next 90 days;
- 2) Probation Department and the Juvenile Court Health Services Division of the Department of Health, provide 16 hours of nursing coverage at Camps Holton, Rockey, and Scott within 90 days;
- 3) Probation Department, the CEO and the Department of Public Works expedite the placement of the modular living units at Camps Scott/Scudder and Challenger approved by the Board on November 18, 2008 to provide the necessary space for additional

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health and mental health staff; and

4) CEO report back in one week with a hiring plan to accomplish items 1 and 2 above, as well as the expedited plan for item 3 above which should be completed in six (6) months or less.

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